

poultry, fishing, small tea gardens etc. so as to cover all economically viable activities.

New Industries in Arunachal Pradesh

21. SHRI NABAM REBIA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government have selected some districts for setting up of new industries in Arunachal Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise; and
- (c) the criteria fixed for setting up of industries in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR. RAMAN): (a) to (c) Under the Growth Centre Scheme of Central Government, a Growth Centre has been set up at Niklok Ngorlung, East Siang district of Arunachal Pradesh. The criteria for setting up of Growth Centre has been issued *vide* Letter No. 14/23/88-DBA-I dated 8.12.1988.

Improvement of Exports

22. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the exports and imports position of different countries in comparison to our country;
- (b) how far Indian exports and imports growth was registered; and
- (c) the steps taken to improve our exports position to other countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH): (a) As per latest WTO statistics available for the year 1999, the value of